Achievement under Rural Employment Generation Programme

4264. SHRI R. S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to states :

(a) the achievements of the Rural Employment Generation Programme in the country, State-wise;

(b) the provision made by Government to provide marketing and training facilities for the beneficiaries of such programme; and

(c) the manner in which Government intend to create job opportunities in the rural areas through Khadi and Villages Industries Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) to (c) The Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) was launched on the basis of recommendations of the High Power Committee constituted under the then Prime Minister. This Programme is being implemented by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).

Under the REGP, the KVIC introduced a scheme namely Margin Money Scheme (MMS) with effect from 1.4.1995 for viable Village Industries Projects. The projects sanctioned under MMS as on 31.3.2000 in the country State-wise is as at Statement (*See* below).

The Margin Money Scheme (MMS) provides 25%. of the project cost for the projects upto Rs. 10 lakhs as margin money grant. For projects above Rs. 10 lakhs and upto Rs. 25 lakhs rate of margin money is 25% of Rs. 10 lakhs plus 10% of the remaining cost of the project. Special concession is being provided to SC/ ST/Ex-servicemen/Women/Minority/Physically Handicapped, OBC beneficiaries and all the beneficiaries of North-Eastern Region, Andaman & Nicobar and Sikkim State wherein the margin money grant is given at the rate of 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs.

For the development and promotion of Khadi and Village Industries, the Government of India announced a package for the Khadi and Village Industries sector on 14.05.2001. The main features of this package consist of Rebate Policy for five years, options of Rebate and Market Development Assistance (MDA). Insurance cover to Khadi artisans, emphasis on improvement of Khadi products. creation of packaging and design facilities, measures to promote marketing. brand building, cluster development, focus on core areas and provision of additional working capital.

Statement

Project Sanctioned Under Margin Money Scheme As On 31.3.2000

S. No.	Name of the State	Total
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3552
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	96
3.	Assam	81
4.	Bihar	262
5.	Goa	609
6.	Gujarat	184
7.	Haryana	818
8.	Himachal Pradesh	206
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	2481
10.	Karnataka	6229
11.	Kerala	2540
12.	Madhya Pradesh	7607
13.	Maharashtra	8194
14.	Manipur	156
15.	Meghalaya	1938
16.	Mizoram	419
17.	Nagaland	310
18.	Orissa	578
19.	Punjab	3019
20.	Rajasthan	13789

1	2	3
21.	Sikkim	15
22.	Tamil Nadu	1298
23.	Tripura	1
24.	Uttar Pradesh	2221
25.	West Bengal	8090
26.	Andaman and Nicobar	87
27.	Delhi	134
28.	Chandigarh	20
29.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
30.	Pondicherry	827
31.	Lakshadweep	0
32.	Daman & Diu	0
	TOTAL	65762

Agro-Based SSI Units in Maharashtra

4265. SHRI R. S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of agriculture based Small Scale Industries set up in the country, particularly in Maharashtra, State-wise; and

(b) the financial assistance provided to these units by Government during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) The total number of registered small scale industrial units in the country by the end of March, 2001 was 26,72,188, which includes agriculture based Small Scale Industries also. The State-wise break up is given in the